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FROM: Frank J. Filas, Reclamation Engineer

RE: Site Inspection, Mi Vida Mine, M/037/028



On May 19 and 21, 1987, Frank Filas inspected the three sites that are included in the Mi Vida Mine permit. All three are being actively worked by a small crew. The areas are heavily impacted by prelaw disturbances, and it is difficult to determine what areas are covered under the permit. The permit will have to be thoroughly researched before it is transferred to Energy Fuels Nuclear in the fall.

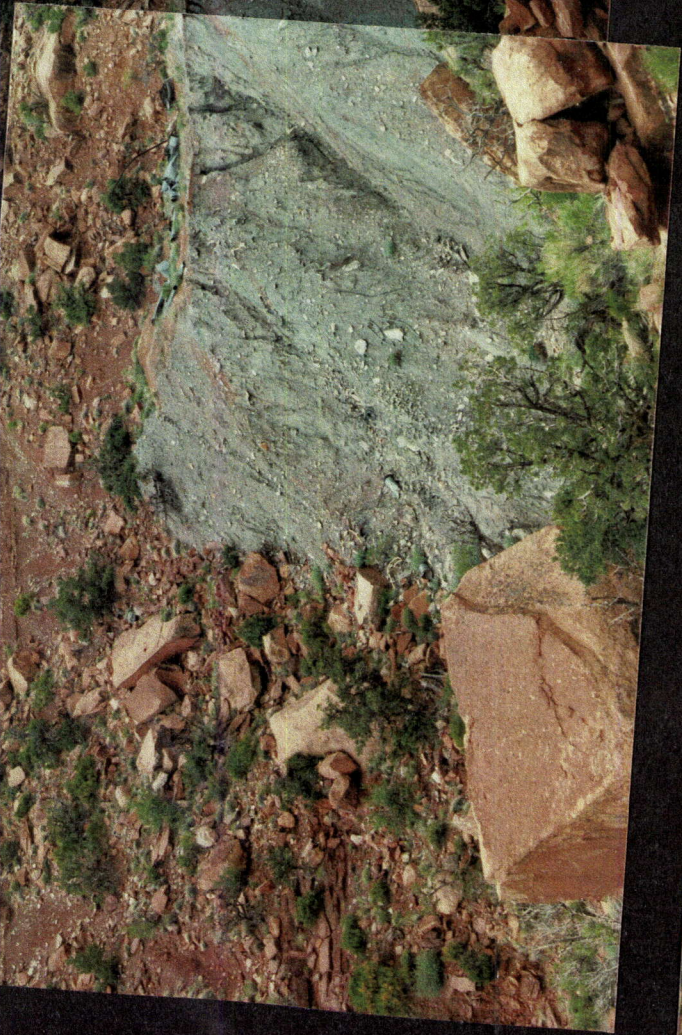
The Mi Vida decline is located immediately to the south of the stone, flat-topped building that once served as a kitchen for the mine. The portal gate was open (presumably in use). There is an old headframe and shaft nearby and a small waste dump below the portal.

Further down the hill is the McCormick Mine. There is a large waste pile here that blocks most of the drainage. Ore is being hauled out of the associated portal and being dumped down a large metal chute. The ore is being scooped up on the pad below with a frontend loader and into a haul truck.

The Expectation portal is in the canyon to the north. It can be reached by following the asphalt road from the McCormick Mine down the hill for several miles and taking the first right onto a dirt road. This road passes by Atlas's Ivy Mine and up to the Expectation Mine. An old waste pile completely blocks the drainage, and water runoff is being routed down the access road. There is a single portal that is being used plus a small pile of spoil material. It is recommended that a culvert be placed in the road to preclude further erosion on the road surface.

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Dump Point at the McCormick Site  
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Looking down Canyon from  
Expectation Site

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McCormick Tunnel